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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 545 By Stanley

A RESOLUTION To honor and congratulate Christopher David Pickler on being selected Tennessee Eagle Scout of the Year.

WHEREAS, Our best and brightest young citizens are richly deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Christopher David Pickler, who was recently chosen to receive one of scoutings highest honors, Tennessee Eagle Scout of the Year, is one such exemplary young person; and

WHEREAS, Chris is a popular and highly regarded 17-year old Junior at Houston High School in Germantown; and

WHEREAS, He won a \$1,500 scholarship as Tennessee Eagle Scout of the Year and is now eligible for National Eagle Scout of the Year recognition; and

WHEREAS, Scouting has been a major part of Chris's life for 12 years, and he has received numerous awards for his important contributions to the program; and

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WHEREAS, Chris joined the Eagle Court of Honor on March 30, 1999; having worked diligently for three years to complete his admirable Eagle Project, the renovation of a garden and courtyard at Farmington Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, With perseverance, endurance and intensive labor, he turned a neglected part of the school property into a space which is now used for teaching, class plantings, studying and story times; and

WHEREAS, In 2000, Chris was elected to the Order of the Arrow; and
WHEREAS, He has also earned three Bronze, two Silver, and two Gold Palms; and
WHEREAS, Chris has earned 82 Merit Badges, with his Religious Award, God and Life
having been received in November 2000; and

WHEREAS, He hopes to attend either Duke University or Johns Hopkins University and eventually pursue a career as a chemical engineer; and

WHEREAS, Chris is the son of very proud parents, David and Beth Picker, and he has one sister, Katie; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to honor Chris on his many accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Christopher David Pickler, Tennessee Eagle Scout of the Year, and wish him much continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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